#### **Q1** Commands

5 Points

List the commands used in the game to reach the first ciphertext.

climb, read, enter, read

## **Q2** Cryptosystem

5 Points

What cryptosystem was used in this level?

A Simple Substitution Cipher(Monoalphabetic)

# **Q3** Analysis

25 Points

What tools and observations were used to figure our the cryptosystem? (Explain in less than 100 words)

On the 1st screen, there was a trail saying "seemingly leading to the top of the hill". So we tried the command "climb" as to climb the hill.

The 2nd screen told us that there was some message written on the blocks, so the command "read" made sense for reading the message.

The 3rd screen directly told us to write "enter",

Again it mentioned that something was written, so we used "read" again.

Initially looking at the cipher, it looked like some random text having some patterns. We saw that there were some repeated sequences like "Fic" and "ok". This gave us an idea that we should try shift cipher and substitution cipher. We tried shifting with 1-25, but the message still looked random for each case.

Digram and Trigram analysis done on cipher text helped us to find common patterns that were present in text for example digrams like(fi->th,ic->he,cm->er,ck->es,oq->in,fc->te,kf->st,pi->ch,mc->re,io->hi,ok->is,hd->am,dn->mb) and trigrams like(fic->the,hdn->amb,fio->thi,gef->oft,icp->hec,hsc->ave,cfi->eth,mco->rei,qfc->nte,fcm->ter,omk->irs,mkf->rst,cmg->ero) after doing such analysis it made cipher a little bit more clearer but still cipher was not comprehensible hence we dig further deeper to gather more insights.

Then we tried doing frequency analysis for substitution cipher along with known plaintexts for solving it. The code attached named "freqAnal.py" does the frequency analysis of all the letters present in the ciphertext. Frequency analysis of cipher text is: [('C', 13.95), ('F', 10.85), ('K', 10.47), ('O', 9.69), ('I', 8.53), ('G', 5.43), ('H', 5.04), ('M', 5.04), ('Q', 4.65), ('P', 3.49), ('D', 2.71), ('N', 2.71), ('V', 2.71), ('E', 2.33), ('Y', 2.33), ('A', 1.94), ('U', 1.94), ('J', 1.55), ('L', 1.55), ('R', 1.16), ('X', 1.16), ('S', 0.78), ('B', 0.0), ('T', 0.0), ('W', 0.0), ('Z', 0.0)] 'e' is the most frequent letter in english and in our case, 'c' had the highest frequency. So, c was mapped to e. Similarly, 'f' was mapped to 't' which was 2nd highest occuring letter in the ciphertext.

So we assumed Fic as Tie and as it was the highest occurring, we considered Tie=The. So i mapped to h.

Using known plaintext and the knowledge of digrams and trigrams,we assumed thehe=there, ok=is and we mapped o=>i, k=>s,h=>r.

We observed that the characters [. , !] were not substituted. Finally, it was written that the digits have been shifted by 2 places. But as the 2 itself in the sentence might be the shifted output, we tried all possible shifts from 1 to 9 for the digits inside the password. Finally, a shift of +4 worked(So, the digits were shifted by 4 backwards while encrypting). The password that we got was iRqy3U5qdqt.

## **Q4** Mapping

10 Points

What is the plaintext space and ciphertext space?
What is the mapping between the elements of plaintext space and the

elements of ciphertext space? (Explain in less than 100 words)

```
ciphertext space(b,t,w,z absent)->
{a,c,d,e,f,g,h,i,j,k,l,m,n,o,p,q,r,s,u,v,x,y,1,2,9}
plaintext space (j,q,x,z absent)->
{a,b,c,d,e,f,g,h,i,k,l,m,n,o,p,r,s,t,u,v,w,y,3,5,6}
```

Mapping from cipher text to plain text: a->g,c->e,d->m,e->f,f->t,g->o,h->a,i->h,j->p,k->s,l->w,m->r,n->b,o->i,p->c,q->n,r->y,s->v,u->l,v->u,x->q,y->d,9->3,1->5,2->6.

### **Q5** Password

5 Points

What is the final command used to clear this level?

```
iRqy3U5qdgt
```

### **Q6** Codes

0 Points

Upload any code that you have used to solve this level

```
♣ Download
▼ Crypto_assign_1.py
     letterFreq = {'E': 12.70, 'T': 9.06, 'A': 8.17, '0': 7.51,
     'I': 6.97, 'N': 6.75, 'S': 6.33, 'H': 6.09, 'R': 5.99, 'D':
     4.25, 'L': 4.03, 'C': 2.78, 'U': 2.76, 'M': 2.41, 'W': 2.36,
     'F': 2.23, 'G': 2.02, 'Y': 1.97, 'P': 1.93, 'B': 1.29, 'V':
     0.98, 'K': 0.77, 'J': 0.15, 'X': 0.15, 'Q': 0.10, 'Z': 0.07}
 2
 3
     letters=list('ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ')
 4
5
     cipher= """omkf pi hdn cmgef icphsck .H krg vphqkc c,
 6
 7
     fic mco kggf iogag eo gfcmckf og ficpihdn
 8
9
     cm .Kg dcgeficu hfcm pi hdn cmklo uuncdgmc
10
11
     ogfc mc kfog afihqfiokgg c!Fi cpgy cvkc yeg
12
     mfio kdck kha cokh kodjuck vn k fofvfo
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    gqpojicmoqli opiyoa of kihsc nccqki oefc
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17
    ynr2 juhpck. Fi c jhkklgm yok oMxr9V1x ya
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19
    flofigvffic xvgfck. Fio kokfice"""
20
21
22
    cipher=cipher.upper()
23
24
    cipFreq={}
25
26
    mapping={}
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28
    total=0
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    for let in 'ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ': # Calculate total
    letters
31
32
             total+=cipher.count(let)
33
34
    for let in 'ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ': # Do Frequency
    Analysis
35
36
             cipFreq[let]=round(cipher.count(let)*100/total,2)
37
38
39
    letterFreq=list(letterFreq.items())
40
    cipFreq=list(cipFreq.items())
41
42
    cipFreq.sort(key=lambda x: x[1], reverse = True)
43
44
45
    for i in range(6): # Create the mapping dictionary
46
47
             mapping[cipFreq[i][0]]=letterFreq[i][0].lower()
48
49
    print("CIPHERTEXT: ")
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51
    print("{}".format(cipher))
52
53
    plain=cipher
54
55
    mapping['I'] = 'h'
56
57
    mapping['K'] = 's'
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59
    mapping['0'] = 'i'
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61
   mapping['M'] = 'r'
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63
   mapping['E'] = 'f'
64
65
   for key in mapping:
66
67
          plain=plain.replace(key,mapping[key]) # Replace the
   substituted characters from frequency analysis.
68
   69
   print("English Frequency: {}\n".format(letterFreq))
70
   71
   print("Cipher Frequency Analysis: {}\n".format(cipFreq))
72
   73
   print("Half Plaintext:\n{}".format(plain))
74
75
   76
   print("[+]Plaintext using digraph/trigraph analysis and manual
   inspection :\n","IRST CH AMB EROFT HECAVES .A SYO UCANSE E,
   THE REI SNOT HINGO FI NTEREST IN THECHAMB ER .SO MEOFTHEL ATER
   CH AMB ERSWI LLBEMORE INTE RE STIN GTHANTHISON E!TH ECOD EUSE
   DFO RTHI SMES SAG EISA SIMPLES UB S TITUTI ONCIPHERINWH ICHDIG
   IT SHAVE BEENSH IFTE DBY2 PLACES. TH E PASSWOR DIS iRqy9U1q dg
   tWITHOUTTHE QUOTES. THI SISTHEF")
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   #USING FINAL SUBTITUTIONS as
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   #[ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ]
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83
   #[GKEMFTOAHPSWRBICNYVJLUXQDZ]
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85
    '''Final plaintext that we got after rearrangement of spaces
86
   is:
87
   IRST CHAMBER OF THE CAVES. AS YOU CAN SEE, THERE IS NOTHING OF
88
   INTEREST IN THE CHAMBER. SOME OF THE LATER CHAMBERS WILL BE
   MORE INTERESTING THAN THIS ONE! CODE USED FOR THIS MESSAGE IS
   A SIMPLE SUBSTITUTION CIPHER IN WHICH DIGITS HAVE BEEN SHIFTED
   BY 2 PLACES. THE PASSWORD IS iRqy9U1qdgt WITHOUT THE QUOTES.
   THIS IS THE F
89
    . . .
90
91
92
93
   #After Getting the password, try permutations of shifted
94
   numbers in circular way(mod 10) and attempt the password.
95
```

```
cipher=list("iRqy9U1qdgt")
96
97
98
     print("Cipher={}".format(cipher))
99
100
     for i in range(1,10):
101
102
             cip=list(cipher)
103
104
             cip[4]=str((int(cip[4])+i)%10)
105
106
             cip[6]=str((int(cip[6])+i)%10)
107
             print("Number Increment Shift
108
     {}".format(i),''.join(cip))
109
4
```

### **Q7** Team Name

0 Points

**INSYNC** 

# Assignment 1

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45 / 50 pts

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